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HERR HUBERT SCHRUEBBERS

President, Federal Agency for the Protection of the Constitution (BfV).

Born 3 November 1907 in Becklinghausen in former province of Westphalia (or north Rhine Westphalia).

Herr Schruebbbers has some limited knowledge of the English language, which he speaks haltingly. He is a Catholic, married and has two young teen-age children.

His wife, Johanna-Marie Schruebbbers, is a former concert singer from Tuebingen. She is active in music circles in Cologne. Schruebbbers is interested in the fine arts and his special hobby is photography.

He is a confirmed cigar and pipe smoker.

Schruebbbers is a professional civil service official with an extensive legal background. He studied with the universities of Tuebingen, Berlin and Muenster. In 1931 he passed his first state legal examinations in HAMM and was appointed to the junior civil service grade of "Referender."

In 1935 he passed his second state legal examination and was promoted to the next grade of "Assessor." In 1939 he was appointed State Prosecuting Attorney (Staatsanwalt) in the middle-sized city of Bochum.

His legal career was interrupted by military service in 1943. In the service he attained the equivalent of something between a corporal and sergeant. In September 1944 he was captured by the British in France. He remained a British POW until released in 1946.

In January 1947, Herr Schruebbbers resumed his legal career and was appointed State Prosecuting Attorney in Dortmund. He was subsequently appointed to similar duties in HAMM and Arnsberg, and in October 1948,

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he became Chief State Attorney at the Supreme Court of the then British Zone of Occupation in Cologne. This was followed by an October 1950 appointment as an assistant Federal Attorney (Bundesanwalt) on the staff of the Chief Federal Attorney at the Federal Superior Court in Karlsruhe. In 1952 he returned to the Rhineland as Chief Prosecuting Attorney in the Superior State Court in Dueseldorf. In August 1955, Schruebbers was appointed President of the BfV to succeed Hans Jess, who served as interim BfV president following the defection of Dr. Otto John. After a probationary period, Schruebbers received his permanent appointment as BfV President on 19 December 1955. He has visited England since his appointment as a guest of MI-5.

Since coming to the BfV, he has shown himself to be interested in improving the agency. He has made himself fairly conversant with the broad problem confronting the BfV and is working toward improvements with respect to organization, personnel and public relations. Perhaps a bit on the pompous side and somewhat vain, he is not a rash innovator. He has, however, shown himself to be receptive to new ideas, insofar as they can be adapted to the German scene, and is well disposed toward cooperation with western security agencies.

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